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Dear Dr. Runey and Marie Bernardo-Sousa

As you are aware, Johnson & Wales University—Providence (JWU) disclosed that it reported incorrect financial expenditure data for several years to U.S. News & World Report. JWU disclosed to U.S. News that, for many years, it had reported the entire JWU system's financial expenditures to U.S. News instead of financial expenditures for just the JWU-Providence campus. In order for U.S. News to permit JWU-Providence to participate in our forthcoming Best Colleges survey, U.S. News will require certification for the next three years that all the data reported to U.S. News is reported accurately and is solely for JWU-Providence on our three Best Colleges surveys: Main, Financial Aid and Finance surveys.

Therefore, U.S. News asks that for each of the next three years JWU-Providence provide U.S. News with a letter certifying the accuracy of the submissions referenced at the end of this letter. Each letter should bear the signature of the Chancellor, verifying the accuracy of all information submitted to U.S. News. For the 2020 Best Colleges rankings to be published in September 2019, U.S. News asks that the letter be submitted by August 5, 2019.

Very truly yours, Brian Kelly Editor and Chief Content Officer, U.S. News & World Report

Robert Morse Chief Data Strategist, U.S. News & World Report

## <u>Undergraduate Program Rankings –</u>

## 2020 Best Colleges:

Best Colleges 2018-2019 academic year data collected spring 2019 (for the upcoming 2020 Best Colleges rankings to be published in September 2019). This is for the Main, Financial Aid and Finance Surveys.

## 2021 Best Colleges:

Best Colleges 2019-2020 academic year data collected spring 2020 (for the forthcoming 2021 Best Colleges rankings to be published in September 2020). This is for the Main, Financial Aid and Finance Surveys.



## 2022 Best Colleges:

Best Colleges 2020-2021 academic year data collected spring 2021 (for the forthcoming 2022 Best Colleges rankings to be published in September 2021). This is for the Main, Financial Aid and Finance Surveys.